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## **NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL**

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of Inventors:

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WARNING: The Declaration must name all of the actual inventor(s).



A PROCESS FOR THE ISOLATION OF POLYHYDROXYBUTYRATE FROM BACILLUS MYCOIDES RLJ B-017

#### 1. Type of Application

This new application is for a(n) (check one applicable item below):

- ☑ Original (nonprovisional)
- □ Design
- ☐ Plant

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**Do not** use this transmittal for a completion in the U.S. of an International Application under 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4) unless the International Application is being filed as a divisional, continuation or continuation-in-part application.

## **CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.10**

I hereby certify that this New Application Transmittal and the documents referred to as enclosed therein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on this date MARCH 28, 2001 in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" Mailing Label Number EL728211922US addressed to the: Assistant Commissioner of Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231

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# 2. Benefit of Prior U.S. Application(s) (35 U.S.C. 119(e), 120, or 121)

NOTE: If the new application being transmitted is a divisional, continuation or a continuation-in-part of a parent case, or where the parent case is an International Application which designated the U.S., or benefit of a prior provisional application is claimed, then check the following item and complete and attach ADDED PAGES FOR NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL WHERE BENEFIT OF PRIOR U.S. APPLICATION(S) CLAIMED.

WARNING: If an application claims the benefit of the filing date of an earlier filed application under 35 U.S.C. 120, 121 or 365(c), the 20-year term of that application will be based upon the filing date of the earliest U.S. application that the application makes reference to under 35 U.S.C. 120, 121 or 365(c). (35 U.S.C. 154(a)(2) does not take into account, for the determination of the patent term, any application on which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119, 365(a) or 365(b).) For a c-i-p application, applicant should review whether any claim in the patent that will issue is supported by an earlier application and, if not, the applicant should consider canceling the reference to the earlier filed application. The term of a patent is not based on a claim-by-claim approach. See Notice of April 14, 1995, 60 Fed. Reg. 20,195, at 20,205.

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| Divisional.                   |
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| Continuation.                 |
| Continuation-in-Part (C-I-P). |

# Papers Enclosed That Are Required For Filing Date Under 37 CFR 1.53 (Regular) or 37 CFR 1.153 (Design) Application

| 11 | Pages | of | specification |
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2 Pages of claims

\_1 Pages of Abstract

2 Sheets of drawing

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DO NOT submit original drawings. A high quality copy of the drawings should be supplied when filing a patent application. The drawings that are submitted to the Office must be on strong, white, smooth, and non-shiny paper and meet the standards according to § 1.84. If corrections to the drawings are necessary, they should be made to the original drawing and a high-quality copy of the corrected original drawing then submitted to the Office. Only one copy is required or desired. Comments on proposed new 37 CFR 1.84. Notice of March 9, 1988 (1990 O.G. 57-62).

NOTE: "Identifying indicia, if provided, should include the application number or the title of the invention, inventor's name, docket number (if any), and the name and telephone number of a person to call if the Office is unable to match the drawings to the proper application. This information should be placed on the back of each sheet of drawing a minimum distance of 1.5 cm. (% inch) down from the top of the page." 37 C.F.R. 1.84(c).

(complete the following, if applicable)

|       |           | The enclos<br>ACCEPT P   | ed drawing(s) are photograph(s), and there is also attached a "PETITION TO HOTOGRAPH(S) AS DRAWING(S)". 37 C.F.R. 1.84(b).   |  |  |
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| 4.    | Addi      | tional pape  | rs enclosed  |  |  |
|       |           | Preliminary  | Amendment  |  |  |
|       |           | Information  | n Disclosure Statement (37 CFR 1.98)   |  |  |
|       |           | Form PTO-  | 1449   |  |  |
|       |           | Citations  |  |  |  |
|       |           | Declaration  | of Biological Deposit  |  |  |
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|       |           | □ inven  | tors.  |  |  |
|       |           | _  | representative of inventors. 37 CFR 1.42 or 1.43   |  |  |
|       |           |  | inventor or person showing a proprietary interest on behalf of inventor who<br>ed to sign or cannot be reached.  |  |  |
|       |           |  | This is the petition required by 37 CFR 1.47 and the statement required by 37 CFR 1.47 is also attached. <i>See item 13 below for fee.</i>   |  |  |
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| WARN  | ING:      | Where the filing is a completion in the U.S. of an International Application but where a declaravailable or where the completion of the U.S. application contains subject matter in additivernational Application the application may be treated as a continuation or continuation-in-part, may be, utilizing ADDED PAGE FOR NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL WHERE BENEFIT OF APPLICATION CLAIMED. |  |  |  |
|       |           | the a  | cation is made by a person authorized under 37 CFR 1.41(c) on behalf of <i>alibove named inventors.</i> (The declaration or oath, along with the surcharge red by 37 CFR 1.16(e) can be filed subsequently). |  |  |
| NOTE: | It is i   | important that   | all the correct inventor(s) are named for filing under 37 CFR 1.41(c) and 1.53(b).   |  |  |
|       |           |  | Showing that the filing is authorized. (Not required unless called into question. 37 CFR 1.41(d).)   |  |  |
| 6.    | Inve      | entorship S  | atement  |  |  |
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|       | The       | inventorsh   | ip for all the claims in this application are:   |  |  |
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| 7.    | Language   |                   |  |  |                                       |  |
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| NOTE: | An application including a signed oath or declaration may be filed in a language other than English. A verified English translation of the non-English language application and the processing fee of $$130.00$ required by 37 CFR 1.17(k) is required to be filed with the application or within such time as may be set by the Office. 37 CFR 1.52(d).   |                   |  |  |                                       |  |
| NOTE: | A non-English oath or declaration in the form provided or approved by the PTO need not be translated. 37 CFF 1.69(b).  |                   |  |  |                                       |  |
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|       |  |                   | the attached translation                                   | on is a verified translation. 37 CFR 1.5                                   | 52(d).                                |  |
| 8.    | Assi   | ignm              | ent  |  |                                       |  |
|       | $\square$  | Ana               | assignment of the invent                                   | tion to COUNCIL OF SCIENTIFIC & INDU                                       | JSTRIAL RESEARCH                      |  |
|       |  |                   | is attached. A separa<br>ACCOMPANYING NE<br>attached.      | ate □ "COVER SHEET FOR ASSIGNI<br>W PATENT APPLICATION" or □ FOR           | MENT (DOCUMENT)<br>M PTO 1595 is also |  |
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| NOTE: | "If an   | n assig<br>he ass | nment is submitted with a ne<br>ignment." Notice of May 4, | ew application, send two separate letters—one f<br>1990 (1114 O.G. 77-78). | or the application and one            |  |
| WARN  | VARNING: A newly executed "CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)" must be filed when a continuation-in-papplication is filed by an assignee. Notice of April 30, 1993. 1150 O.G. 62-64.   |                   |  |  |                                       |  |
| 9.    | Certified Copy   |                   |  |  |                                       |  |
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| NOTE: | This item is for any foreign priority for which the application being filed directly relates. If any parent U.S application or International Application from which this application claims benefit under 35 U.S.C. 120 is itselentitled to priority from a prior foreign application then complete item 18 on the ADDED PAGES FOR NEV APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL WHERE BENEFIT OF PRIOR U.S. APPLICATION(S) CLAIMED. |                   |  |  |                                       |  |
| 10.   | Fee  | Calc              | culation (37 CFR 1.16)                                     |  |                                       |  |
|       | A.   |                   | Regular Application  |  |                                       |  |
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| NOTE:  | If the fees for extra claims are not paid on filing they must be paid or the claims cancelled by amendment, prior to the expiration of the time period set for response by the Patent and Trademark Office in any notice of fee deficiency. 37 CFR 1.16(d). |  |          |          |               |                       |      |      |       |            |   |
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| В.   |   | Design application (\$320.00 — 3   |          | R 1.16   | (f))          | Filin                 | g F  | ee ( | Calc  | ulation \$ |   |
| C.   |   | Plant applicat<br>(\$490.00 — 3  |          | R 1.16   | (g))          | Filin                 | g F  | ee ( | Calc  | ulation \$ |   |
| 11.  | Sma   | small Entity Statement(s)  |          |          |               |                       |      |      |       |            |   |
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| 12.  | Req   | equest for International-Type Search (37 CFR 1.104(d)) (Complete, if applicable) |          |          |               |                       |      |      |       |            |   |
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| 13.  | Fee   | Fee Payment Being Made At This Time  |          |          |               |                       |      |      |       |            |   |
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|                  |               |   | Recording assignment (\$40.00; 37 CFR 1.21(h)) (See attached "CO' SHEET FOR ASSIGNMENT ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION.")   |  |
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| NOT              |               | failing to co<br>CFR 1.53 a<br>basic filing | 21(I) establishes a fee for processing and retaining any appromplete the application pursuant to 37 CFR 1.53(d) and thi and 1.78, indicate that in order to obtain the benefit of a profee must be paid or the processing and retention fee of §1 notification under §53(d). | s, as well as the changes to 37 ior U.S. application, either the               |
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| 14.              |               | Method o                                    | of Payment of Fees   |  |
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| 15. <i>A</i>     | ٩ut           | <i>1.22(b).</i><br>horizatior               | n to Charge Additional Fees  |  |
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| [                |               |   | mmissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fo<br>nd during the entire pendency of this application  |  |
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| Ε                |               | 37 CFR                                      | 1.17 (application processing fees)   |  |
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|         |           | 37 CFR 1.18 (issue fee at or before m<br>CFR 1.311(b))   | nailing of Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37   |  |  |  |  |
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| NOTE:   | the a     | CFR 1.28(b) requires "Notification of any change in loss of entitlement to small entity status must be filed in a application prior to paying, or at the time of paying, issue fee". From the wording of 37 CFR 1.28(b), notification of change of status must be made even if the fee is paid as "other than a small entity" and (b) notification is required if the change is to another small entity. |  |  |  |  |  |
| 16.     | Inst      | ructions As To Overpayment   |  |  |  |  |  |
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